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VIA FACSIMILE (212-805-7949)

Honorable P. Kevin Castel United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re:

United States v. Hershkowitz, et al. 07-CR-1071 (PKC)

Dear Judge Castel:

As you know, we represent Michael Hershkowitz in the above-captioned matter. We write to request that Mr. Hershkowitz's bail conditions be temporarily modified to allow him to travel to Lakewood, PA on July 27, 2008 returning that day to attend a family function. (Assistant United States Attorney Harry Chernoff has consented to this request, as has Mr. Hershkowitz's pre-trial services officer, Joshua Rothman.

Should the Court have any questions, we stand ready to assist. Thank you for your courtesy in this and all other matters.

ery truly yours.

Karen A. Newirth

cc: AUSA Harry Chernoff (via e-mail)

U.S. Probation Officer Joshua Rothman (via facsimile 212-805-0047)